

## **GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA**

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Karnataka Government Secretariat, M.S.Building, Bangalore, Dated: 07.03.2018.

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From:

Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Forest, Ecology and Environment Department, M.S.Building, Bangalore.

To:

The Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Government of India, Paryavaran Bhavan, Aliganj, Jorbagh Road, New Delhi-110 003.

Sir,

Sub:

Preliminary exploration (G-3 stage) of iron ore resource in 131.08 ha. forest land in Blocks 6A/CI 16 MMM 2003 of Ramanamalai Block, Ballari District by Geological Survey of India, State Unit Karnataka & Goa, Bengaluru-reg.

Proposal No. FP/KA/MRL/2/2017

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With reference to the above subject, I am directed to state that the Principle Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF), Bengaluru vide their letter no. A5(1)MISC.CR.10/2017-18, dated: 05.01.2018 has submitted a proposal to obtain approval of Government of India under section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for Preliminary exploration (G-3 stage) of iron ore resource in 131.08 has forest land in Blocks 6A/CI 16 MMM 2003 of Ramanamalai Block, Ballari District by Geological Survey of India, State Unit Karnataka & Goa, Bengaluru subject to certain conditions. A copy of the same along with its enclosures, Annexure-A and Form "C" (2sets) is enclosed herewith, which is self explanatory.

In the circumstances, I request you to kindly communicate approval of Government of India under section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for Preliminary exploration (G-3 stage) of iron ore resource in 131.08 ha. forest land in Blocks 6A/CI 16 MMM 2003 of Ramanamalai Block, Ballari District by Geological Survey of India, State, Unit Karnataka & Goa, Bengaluru subject to the conditions appended in Annexure-A.

Yours faithfully,

(NARAYANA)

Under Secretary to Government,
Forest, Ecology and Environment Department.

Copy to:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests(HoFF), Aranya Bhavan, Bengaluru-560 003.

2. Deputy Director General, Geological Survey of India, Karnataka & Goa, Vasudha Bhavan, Kumaraswamy layout, Bengaluru-560 078.